

Issuance of this amendment, as required by the ESA was based on a finding that such permit: (1) Was applied for in good faith; (2) will not operate to the disadvantage of the endangered species which is the subject of this permit; and (3) is consistent with the purposes and policies set forth in section 2 of the ESA.

Dated: May 23, 1997.

**Ann D. Terbush,**

*Chief, Permits and Documentation Division, Office of Protected Resources, National Marine Fisheries Service.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

[I.D. 060397B]

#### Marine Mammals; Permit No. 957 (P77.1#71)

**AGENCY:** National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Commerce.

**ACTION:** Scientific research permit amendment.

**SUMMARY:** Notice is hereby given that a request for amendment of scientific research permit no. 957 submitted by The National Marine Mammal Laboratory, Alaska Fisheries Science Center, National Marine Fisheries Service, 7600 Sand Point Way NE, Bin C15700, Seattle, Washington 98115-0070, has been granted.

**ADDRESSES:** The amendment and related documents are available for review upon written request or by appointment in the following office(s):

Permits and Documentation Division, Office of Protected Resources, NMFS, 1315 East-West Highway, Room 13130, Silver Spring, MD 20910 (301/713-2289);

Regional Administrator, Alaska Region, NMFS, P.O. Box 21668, Juneau, AK 99802-1668.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** On March 20, 1997, notice was published in the **Federal Register** (62 FR 13368) that an amendment of permit no. 957, issued May 31, 1995 (60 FR 30065), had been requested by the above-named organization. The requested amendment has been granted under the authority of the Marine Mammal Protection Act of 1972, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1361 *et seq.*), and the provisions of § 216.39 of the Regulations Governing the Taking and Importing of Marine Mammals (50 CFR part 216).

The amended permit authorizes additional activities on beluga whales that include: suction cup tagging animals already authorized to be satellite tagged, placing a loop-band around the pectoral for identification, and increasing the number of animals to be instrumented with a suction cup tag package.

Dated: June 2, 1997.

**Ann D. Terbush,**

*Chief, Permits and Documentation Division, Office of Protected Resources, National Marine Fisheries Service.*

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## COMMITTEE FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF TEXTILE AGREEMENTS

### Amendment of Quota and Visa Requirements To Include a New Exempt Certification Arrangement for Chinese Floor Coverings Produced or Manufactured in the People's Republic of China; Correction

June 6, 1997.

A notice and letter to the Commissioner of Customs were published in the **Federal Register** on May 16, 1997 (62 FR 27017). In the letter to Customs, 3rd column, 3rd paragraph, the 3rd line reads as follows: "in by the shipment, quantity, date of." This line should be corrected to read "in the shipment, quantity, date of."

**D. Michael Hutchinson,**

*Acting Chairman, Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements.*

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## COMMITTEE FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF TEXTILE AGREEMENTS

### Adjustment of Import Limits for Certain Cotton and Man-Made Fiber Textile Products Produced or Manufactured in Qatar

June 6, 1997.

**AGENCY:** Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements (CITA).

**ACTION:** Issuing a directive to the Commissioner of Customs adjusting limits.

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** June 12, 1997.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Janet Heinzen, International Trade Specialist, Office of Textiles and Apparel, U.S. Department of Commerce, (202) 482-4212. For information on the

quota status of these limits, refer to the Quota Status Reports posted on the bulletin boards of each Customs port or call (202) 927-5850. For information on embargoes and quota re-openings, call (202) 482-3715.

## SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

**Authority:** Executive Order 11651 of March 3, 1972, as amended; section 204 of the Agricultural Act of 1956, as amended (7 U.S.C. 1854); Uruguay Round Agreements Act.

The current limit for Categories 347/348 is being increased for swing, reducing the limit for Categories 341/641 to account for the increase.

A description of the textile and apparel categories in terms of HTS numbers is available in the CORRELATION: Textile and Apparel Categories with the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States (see **Federal Register** notice 61 FR 66263, published on December 17, 1996). Also see 61 FR 58390, published on November 14, 1996.

The letter to the Commissioner of Customs and the actions taken pursuant to it are not designed to implement all of the provisions of the Uruguay Round Agreements Act and the Uruguay Round Agreement on Textiles and Clothing, but are designed to assist only in the implementation of certain of their provisions.

**D. Michael Hutchinson,**

*Acting Chairman, Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements.*

### Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements

June 6, 1997.

Commissioner of Customs,  
*Department of the Treasury, Washington, DC 20229.*

Dear Commissioner: This directive amends, but does not cancel, the directive issued to you on November 7, 1996, by the Chairman, Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements. That directive concerns imports of certain cotton and man-made fiber textile products, produced or manufactured in Qatar and exported during the twelve-month period beginning on January 1, 1997 and extending through December 31, 1997.

Effective on June 12, 1997, you are directed to adjust the current limits for the following categories, pursuant to the Uruguay Round Agreements Act and the Uruguay Round Agreement on Textiles and Clothing:

Category	Adjusted twelve-month limit <sup>1</sup>
341/641 .....	144,675 dozen.
347/348 .....	512,157 dozen.

<sup>1</sup> The limits have not been adjusted to account for any imports exported after December 31, 1996.

The Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements has determined that these actions fall within the foreign affairs exception of the rulemaking provisions of 5 U.S.C. 553(a)(1).

Sincerely,

D. Michael Hutchinson,

*Acting Chairman, Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements.*

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## COMMITTEE FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF TEXTILE AGREEMENTS

### Adjustment of Import Limits for Certain Cotton, Wool, Man-Made Fiber, Silk Blend and Other Vegetable Fiber Textiles and Textile Products Produced or Manufactured in Taiwan

June 6, 1997.

**AGENCY:** Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements (CITA).

**ACTION:** Issuing a directive to the Commissioner of Customs adjusting limits.

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** June 12, 1997.

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Janet Heinzen, International Trade Specialist, Office of Textiles and Apparel, U.S. Department of Commerce, (202) 482-4212. For information on the quota status of these limits, refer to the Quota Status Reports posted on the bulletin boards of each Customs port or call (202) 927-5850. For information on embargoes and quota re-openings, call (202) 482-3715.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

**Authority:** Executive Order 11651 of March 3, 1972, as amended; section 204 of the Agricultural Act of 1956, as amended (7 U.S.C. 1854).

The current limits for certain categories are being adjusted, variously, for swing and special shift.

A description of the textile and apparel categories in terms of HTS numbers is available in the CORRELATION: Textile and Apparel Categories with the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States (see **Federal Register** notice 61 FR 66263, published on December 17, 1996). Also see 61 FR 58043, published on November 12, 1996.

The letter to the Commissioner of Customs and the actions taken pursuant to it are not designed to implement all of the provisions of the bilateral agreement, but are designed to assist only in the implementation of certain of its provisions.

**D. Michael Hutchinson,**

*Acting Chairman, Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements.*

#### Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements

June 6, 1997.

Commissioner of Customs, *Department of the Treasury, Washington, DC 20229.*

Dear Commissioner: This directive amends, but does not cancel, the directive issued to you on November 4, 1996, by the Chairman, Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements. That directive concerns imports of certain cotton, wool, man-made fiber, silk blend and other vegetable fiber textiles and textile products, produced or manufactured in Taiwan and exported during the twelve-month period which began on January 1, 1997 and extends through December 31, 1997.

Effective on June 12, 1997 you are directed to adjust the limits for the following categories, as provided under the terms of the current bilateral textile agreement concerning textile products from Taiwan:

Category	Twelve-month limit <sup>1</sup>
Group I:	
200-224, 225/317/326, 226, 227, 229, 300/301/607, 313-315, 360-363, 369-L/670-L/870 <sup>2</sup> , 369-S <sup>3</sup> , 369-O <sup>4</sup> , 400-414, 464-469, 600-606, 611, 613/614/615/617, 618, 619/620, 621-624, 625/626/627/628/629, 665, 666, 669-P <sup>5</sup> , 669-T <sup>6</sup> , 669-O <sup>7</sup> , 670-H <sup>8</sup> and 670-O <sup>9</sup> , as a group.	595,745,224 square meters.
Sublevels in Group I:	
611 .....	3,179,735 square meters.
613/614/615/617 .....	19,720,400 square meters.
619/620 .....	14,494,799 square meters.
625/626/627/628/629 .....	18,861,158 square meters.
Within Group I Subgroup:	
219 .....	16,222,758 square meters.
Group II:	
237, 239, 330-332, 333/334/335, 336, 338/339, 340-345, 347/348, 349, 350/650, 351, 352/652, 353, 354, 359-C/659-C <sup>10</sup> , 359-H/659-H <sup>11</sup> , 359-O <sup>12</sup> , 431-444, 445/446, 447/448, 459, 630-632, 633/634/635, 636, 638/639, 640, 641-644, 645/646, 647/648, 649, 651, 653, 654, 659-S <sup>13</sup> , 659-O <sup>14</sup> , 831-844 and 846-859, as a group.	726,631,180 square meters.
Sublevels in Group II:	
336 .....	35,111 dozen.
338/339 .....	972,277 dozen.
340 .....	1,285,462 dozen.
345 .....	123,976 dozen.
347/348 .....	1,454,317 dozen of which not more than 1,288,567 dozen shall be in Categories 347-W/348-W <sup>15</sup> .
359-H/659-H .....	5,010,143 kilograms.
433 .....	14,048 dozen.
435 .....	26,111 dozen.
436 .....	5,149 dozen.
438 .....	29,067 dozen.
443 .....	54,627 numbers.
444 .....	62,550 numbers
445/446 .....	141,484 dozen.
633/634/635 .....	1,650,784 dozen of which not more than 968,910 dozen shall be in Categories 633/634 and not more than 858,578 dozen shall be in Category 635.